CHAPTER NO. 60

SENATE BILL NO. 280

By Dixon

Substituted for: House Bill No. 218

By Pruitt, Langster

AN ACT Providing for the placement and repair of historical markers across the State of Tennessee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Tennessee Historical Commission is hereby directed to place five (5) historical markers commemorating the African-American culture and history throughout the state. Such markers shall identify cultural or historical events having significance to the surrounding area or community where the markers are placed. In addition, the Tennessee Historical Commission is hereby directed to replace and/or repair twenty (20) Tennessee Historical Commission historical markers throughout the state that are missing or are in need of repair.

SECTION 2. The purpose of placing, replacing or repairing markers commemorating African-American culture and history is to acquaint the motoring public with the cultural and historical heritage of African-Americans; and it is vital for the preservation of Tennessee's history and heritage that state historical markers which have sustained damage or are missing be reinstalled, replaced or repaired.

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the Tennessee Historical Commission is hereby directed to place a historical marker at an appropriate location on the campus of Middle Tennessee State University, such marker to honor the career and accomplishments of James McGill Buchanan, a distinguished graduate of MTSU and a Nobel laureate in economics. Funding for the marker shall be furnished by the Middle Tennessee State University Foundation. The appropriate language to be placed on the marker shall be approved and agreed upon by MTSU, the MTSU Foundation and the Tennessee Historical Commission.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 22, 1999

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

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APPROVED this 7th day of April 1999

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